



5-week Professional Exchange Program in the U.S.A. for Young Entrepreneurs

Accepting applications February 5 - March 4, 2018

Open to Salvadoran entrepreneurs interested in learning new skills and growing their ventures.



About the YLAI Professional Fellowship Program

In October 2018, 250 young entrepreneurs from Latin America and the Caribbean will be sent by the U.S. Department of State for individualized fellowship placements at relevant businesses, start-ups, incubators, non-profits, or civil society organizations across the United States. Fellows will undergo a structured program in entrepreneurship development and will collaborate with their Fellowship Hosts on a project to benefit them and their host organizations.

The selected Fellows will also participate in a Program Launch meeting, an Entrepreneurship Institute, and a Closing Forum in Washington, D.C. to network and develop stronger ties with other participants, U.S. Fellowship Hosts and partners.

Following the program, YLAI Fellows benefit from access to grant funding, potential for hosting their U.S. hosts, Fellow activities and extended entrepreneurial education.

Required Qualifications

- Age 25 to 35 as of September 15, 2018
- At least two (2) years of demonstrated success growing a business or social venture
- Resident and citizen of El Salvador eligible to receive a U.S. J-1 visa (YOU MAY NOT be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the United States or an applicant for U.S. residency or citizenship).
- Proficiency in reading, writing, and speaking English

Tell me more!

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The Embassy of the United States

invites you to attend a **live information session**.

Tuesday, February 13th at 6:30 p.m.
IENS (Ave. Masferrer Norte #738 Colonia Escalón, San Salvador)
Please note: parking is limited.

Ask questions! Get information and meet San Salvadoran YLAI Fellows from prior years!

[RSVP online](#)

If you cannot attend in person, this event will be streamed via Facebook Live:
[@EmbajadaAmericanaElSalvador](#)



Additional Facebook Live information sessions [@YLAInetwork](#):

- **February 7, 9 am - 2 pm** – Requirements and Program Coverage: to address questions about experience, age, English language skills, financial coverage, visa, Entrepreneurship Institute, and insurance; short answer questions, business/organizational plan, and CV.
- **February 14, 9 am - 2 pm** – How to have a competitive application: for questions about the application.
- **February 28, 9 am - 2 pm** – Last minute questions about the program the week before the application deadline.

Applications open February 5 - March 4, 2018 at
<https://ylai.state.gov/apply>



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